

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 15 has been amended as follows:

From the book "Bildgebende Systems für die medizinische Diagnostik", published by H. Morneburg, 3rd edition, 1995, pages 684 *et seq.*, medical system architectures, called PACS (Picture Archival and Communication Systems) are known in which image treatment stations and image processing stations (what are known as workstations) are connected with one another via an image communication network for retrieving patient data and images generated by one or more imaging modalities. The images are retrieved by experts via these workstations. DICOM (Digital Imaging and Communication in Medicine) is the industry standard for transferal of radiologic images and other medical information between computers